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BridgeValley Community and Technical College to host second installment of its Spirituality and Belief Panel Discussion Series

BridgeValley Community and Technical College (BVCTC) is hosting the second session of its virtual Spirituality and Belief series, a panel that brings local religious leaders together to discuss their different perspectives and address philosophical and theological questions related to faith.

On Wednesday, November 3, from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., BVCTC will host a Buddhist practitioner, a Roman Catholic deacon and an ordained Wiccan clergyperson for a virtual discussion about their unique belief systems.

Buddhist follower Thad Settle practices vipassana meditation in the Theravada tradition under Bhante Henepola Guratana, abbot of the Bhavana Society, a forest monastery in High View, W.Va. Roman Catholic Deacon Raymond Godwin will join him, a Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Church in 2004, who serves the parish communities of St. Brendan, Elkins; St. Patrick, Coalton, St. Anne and Webster Springs and is the appointed Episcopal Delegate to the West Virginia Council of Churches. Anne Gibeaut Lockard, a spiritual teacher and mentor in the Kanawha Valley, will represent the Wiccan religion in the discussion.

To register for the event, please visit <u>https://www.bridgevalley.edu/sb2</u> and fill out the form at the bottom of the page.

About BridgeValley Community and Technical College

BridgeValley Community and Technical College promotes student success, prepares a skilled workforce, and builds tomorrow's leaders by providing access to quality higher education. BridgeValley Community and Technical College will be the college of opportunity for a diverse learner population, offering leading-edge technology, innovative ideas, and dynamic service to our students and our communities. BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston, along with the addition of the new Advanced Technology Center. BridgeValley Community and Technical College is a public institution of higher education independently accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central

Association of Schools and Colleges and a member of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia.